

## Report to Civic Works Committee

**To:** Chair and Members  
Civic Works Committee  
**From:** Kelly Scherr, P. Eng., MBA, FEC  
Deputy City Manager, Environment and Infrastructure  
**Subject:** Municipal Drain Petitions – Scotland Farms  
**Date:** February 1, 2022

## Recommendation

That, on the recommendation of the Deputy City Manager, Environment and Infrastructure:

- a) the petitions for two new Municipal Drains to be located at 2657 Scotland Drive (Lot 14 and 15) to benefit the drainage of the east and west sides of the property **BE ACCEPTED** by the council of the Corporation of the City of London under section 5 of the *Drainage Act*, and
- b) Mike DeVos, P.Eng. of Spriet Associates London Limited **BE APPOINTED** under section 8 of the *Drainage Act* to complete a report for the new drains.

## Executive Summary

### Purpose:

The purpose of this report is to seek the approval of Council of a petition for a Municipal Drain on 2657 Scotland Drive (Lot 14 and 15) and to appoint an Engineer to undertake the required drainage report in accordance with *Drainage Act*.

### Context:

The City of London received two petitions for new Municipal Drains to be constructed on a rural property on January 21, 2022. Under section 5 of the Ontario Drainage Act RSO 1990, council must forthwith consider the petition and within 30 days give notice of its decision. Staff recommend that council accept the petition. Following which, staff will appoint an engineering consultant to assess the requested drainage improvements, file a report, and implement supportable drainage works, in accordance with the processes defined by the provincial Drainage Act.

## Linkage to the Corporate Strategic Plan

- This project supports the 2019-2023 Strategic Plan through the following: Londoners experience exceptional and valued customer service.

## Analysis

### 1.0 Background Information

#### 1.1 Previous Reports Related to this Matter

None.

### 2.0 Discussion and Considerations

On January 21, 2022, Staff received two petitions, Appendix A, for drainage from the registered owner of 2657 Scotland Drive (Lot 14 and 15), former Geographical Township of Westminster. The property is currently serviced by natural watercourses. The signee of the petition and owner of 2657 Scotland Drive (Lot 14 and 15), Kent

Willmore would like the current watercourses to be replaced and brought up to current design standards to relieve flooding on his agricultural property.

Under section 5 of the Drainage Act RSO 1990, council must forthwith consider the petition and within 30 days give notice of its decision. Staff recommend that council accept the petition.

Mike DeVos, P.Eng. of Spriet Associates London Limited is recommended to be appointed as the consultant to conduct a preliminary site visit and if suitable, prepare a report, and implement supportable drainage works, in accordance with Section 4 of the Ontario Drainage Act. This consultant assignment will be awarded to Spriet Associates London Ltd. in accordance with 15.2 c) of the City's Procurement of Goods and Services Policy, selection of Professional Consulting Services that are less than \$100,000.

## **Conclusion**

City Staff recommend accepting the petitions to evaluate drainage concerns at 2657 Scotland Drive (Lot 14 and 15) and for the named engineering consultant, Spriet Associates London Ltd. to pursue next steps and implementation, all in accordance with Ontario Drainage Act RSO 1990.

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Deputy City Manager, Environment and Infrastructure**

Appendix 'A' – Scotland Tiling Petition

c.c. Evelina Skalski, City Clerks Office